

IN THE TITLE:

On page 1, lines 1-2, replace the title as follows -- ~~1-DEOXY BACCATIN III, 1-DEOXY TAXOL AND 1-DEOXY TAXOL ANALOGS AND METHOD FOR THE PREPARATION THEREOF~~ --.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, lines 8-10, after "REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS", please replace the paragraph as follows:

-- This application is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 10/236,798, filed September 6, 2002, now U.S. Patent 6,620,950, which is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 08/850,942, filed May 5, 1997, now U.S. Patent 6,545,168, which claims priority, at least in part, from Provisional Application Serial No. 60/016,927, filed May 6, 1996. --.

On page 3, lines 1-5 please replace the paragraph as follows:

--Briefly, therefore, the present invention is directed to ~~a process for the preparation of 1-deoxy baccatin III, 1-deoxy taxol and~~ 1-deoxy taxol analogs. The process for preparing these analogs comprises at least one of the following steps:--.